DUTT): (a) A review of existing infrastructure in the city of Delhi in context of Commonwealth Games 2010 has been undertaken. The existing infrastructure with Sports Authority of India (SAI), Delhi Development Authority (DDA) and New Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC) with major upgradation and renovation would be used for most of the disciplines covered under the Commonwealth Games. One indoor and one outdoor stadium as well as Squash Court are proposed to be constructed. In addition, a Commonwealth Games Village is also proposed to be constructed off the Nizamuddin Bridge.

(b) At the time of Government approval for Commonwealth Games Bid in the year 2003, Indian Olympic Association (IOA) had projected an expenditure of Rs. 399.05 crore. Besides, Government of NCT of Delhi has projected cost of construction of Games Villages at Rs. 186.00 crore and construction of indoor & outdoor stadium in the Yamuna Sports Complex and upgradation of existing infrastructure of the Delhi Development Authority at Rs. 32.50 crore. However, these estimates are further likely to be revised upwards. Again, the existing Sports Infrastructure of SAI, DDA, NDMC proposed to be used as the main venues would require major renovation and upgradation.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A Task Force for upgradation of SAI's infrastructure has been set up and the consultancy for the work on SAI's existing infrastructure has been assigned to CPWD. Condition Survey of SAI's existing 5 Stadia at Delhi has started. Delhi Development Authority has also commenced the action to prepare preliminary designs in respect of new venues proposed to be constructed by it. A core Committee of Officers has been set up by Government of NCT of Delhi under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Delhi to prepare a master plan for improvement/upgradation of civic amenities in Delhi for Commonwealth Games, 2010. The Government of NCT of Delhi has indicated that it is in the process of finalizing plans for upgradation of roads, health care, civic amenities, traffic management and parking for the Commonwealth Games.

Schools adopted by SAI in Tamil Nadu

3864. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools adopted by Sports Authority of India in the State of Tamil Nadu, location-wise;

(b) the disciplines in which the training is provided to the children;

(c) whether the number of these schools are very few considering the huge size of the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI SUNIL DUTT): (a) and (b) Sports Authority of India (SAI) adopts schools under the Scheme of National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC). In order to promote indigenous games and martial arts, SAI, under the NSTC Schmes, has adopted Vivekananda Vidyalaya at Ambur to train children in the discipline of Silambam. SAI has also established two SAI Training Centres at Chennai and Salem and one Special Area Games (SAG) Center at Nagarcoil. The schools going children having sports potential are admitted in these centres and training is imparted in the discipline of Athletics, Basketball, Boxing, Football, Hockey, Kabaddi, Karate, Taekwondo and Volleyball.

(c) and (d) Under the NSTC Scheme, SAI has discontinued adoption of regular school and since 1995 no regular schools have been adopted by SAI. However, keeping in view the need to promote sports in remote and rural areas, Government of India, during the X Plan period has approved extension of NSTC scheme to Navodaya Vidyalayas having requisite sports infrastructure. Since no Navodaya Vidyalaya exists in the state of Tamil Nadu, SAI could not adopt any such school under this scheme.

'Sports' is a subject under State list. The promotion of sports in schools is mainly the responsibility of State Government. Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Government of Tamil Nadu as indicated in (a) and (b) above.

Recommendations of the National Conference on Youth Affairs & Sports

3865. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Conference on Youth Affairs and Sports held in February, 2005 have recommended number of suggestions for the youth and sports related activities in India;

(b) if so, the detail of deliberations and recommendations made by the Conference; and